

AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER (Small Entity)

Applicant(s): ABBOTT, et al.

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Invention: SHAPED HEATERS AND USES THEREOF

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Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

- Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27

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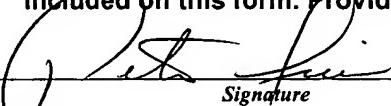
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RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

This amendment is being filed in response to the non-final Office Action mailed March 9, 2005. In response thereto, please enter the following amendment and consider the following remarks.

AUTHORIZATION TO DEBIT ACCOUNT

It is not believed that extensions of time or fees for net addition of claims are required, beyond those that may otherwise be provided for in documents accompanying this response. However, in the event that additional extensions of time are necessary to allow consideration of this response, such extensions are hereby petitioned under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) and any fee required therefore are hereby authorized to be charged to deposit account No. 08-1391.

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AMENDMENTS

Please amend the application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 3

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 5.

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